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Attn: Lynn Kuntzler

Mr. Daniel H. Murphy U.S. Dept. of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Salt Lake Field Office 2370 South 2300 West Salt Lake City, Utah 84119

Re: Northern Stone Supply - Turquoise Stone Quarry Revisions to Plan of Operations and Notice of Intention

Dear Mr. Murphy and Mr. Kuntzler:

At the request of Gary Mullard of Northern Stone Supply, I am enclosing two copies for each of you of a revision to the Plan of Operations and Notice of Intention submitted in December 2004 by Northern Stone Supply. As you are both aware, subsequent to the earlier submittal, meetings were held with representatives of Northern Stone Supply to discuss certain issues with regard to the prior submittal. This new document responds to those concerns.

The bond calculation contained in this document has been prepared by Northern Stone Supply's outside consultants. Gary Mullard is concerned that the bond calculation addresses areas that will be subject to disturbance over a ten year period of projected utilization. Mr. Mullard would prefer to have the bond calculation address a shorter period of time so as to minimize the bond exposure. After you've had an opportunity to review this submittal and the enclosed bond calculations, Mr. Mullard requests the opportunity to meet with representatives of each agency in order to evaluate alternatives

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to minimize the amount of the bond that will be required to be posted and to have the bond address only those areas that will actually be disturbed from time-to-time in connection with the proposed operations.

After you've had an opportunity to review this revised submission, we would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to discuss any further questions or concerns you might have. Please feel free to contact either the undersigned or Mr. Gary Mullard at 208-862-3353 in order to make arrangements for such a meeting.

We appreciate your assistance in this important matter and look foreword to an early meeting to resolve any remaining issues.

Very truly yours

John S. Kirkham

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cc: Gary Mullard